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the set of claims that were filed by applicant in the Amendment received by the Australian Receiving Office on February 28, 2000. No claim fee is due inasmuch as the total number of claims is 20, of which three claims are in independent form.

Please add the following claims.

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~~11. The method of Claim 3 wherein said sealing agent is an acrylic emulsion.~~

~~12. The method on Claim 4 wherein said sealing agent is an acrylic emulsion.~~

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~~13. The method of Claim 3 wherein said pre-form is at least part-cylindrical in shape.~~

~~14. The method on Claim 4 wherein said pre-form is at least part-cylindrical in shape.~~

~~15. The method on Claim 11 wherein said pre-form is at least part-cylindrical in shape.~~

~~16. The method on Claim 12 wherein said pre-form is at least part-cylindrical in shape.~~

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17. The method of Claim 7 wherein said modules are interference fitted together.

18. The method on Claim 8 wherein said modules are interference fitted together.

19. The method of Claim 7 in which said inner surfaces of said module directly contact the insulated portion of said component.

20. The method on Claim 8 in which said inner surfaces of said module directly contact the insulated portion of said component.

Remarks

The status of the claims, prior to the present amendment, is that Claims 1 to 4 and 7 to 8 are pending, with Claims 5, 6, 9 and 10 having been cancelled prior to the calculation of the filing fee. By the present Amendment, Claims 11 to 20 have been added.

Added Claims 11 to 20 are patterned after the aforementioned canceled claims as follows.